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Two fires being managed on the Globe Ranger District
Tonto National Forest
Update – 1030 hrs.

Globe, Ariz. (September 6, 2011 – 1030 hrs.) – Globe Ranger District fire specialists are currently managing two lightning-caused wildfires: the Frio (now 2,300 acres), in the Pinal Mountain range, and the 650 Fire, which began Aug. 28 seven miles north of Superior in the Superstition mountains on Montana Mountain.

The 650 fire is approximately 3,800 acres in size and is showing very little activity. There was some rain on the Frio fire yesterday evening which reduced its activity. Today, ignitions of fuels around power lines are planned on the Frio fire.

Rain is projected for the next 8 days along with cooler temperatures and higher humidity. Fire specialists are predicting very little further activity on these fires.

Personnel and equipment are assigned to these fires and fire management officials continue to be pleased with the fire behavior, direction and favorable weather conditions.

Vistors and residents may see light-to-moderate smoke throughout the day, with the possibility of smoke drifting towards and settling in Globe and Miami.

“We thank the community members for their support and understanding as we have worked to reduce hazardous fuels on these incidents,” stated Rick Reitz, Globe district ranger. “We now have 6,000 acres less of hazardous fuels to feed a catastrophic wildfire that could threaten our local communities.”

Telephone service has been restored at the Globe Ranger District administrative offices. For further updates, please call 928-402-6200. Incident updates are being maintained at the **National Incident Information System website:** www.inciweb.org

Residents can also stay updated on fires at www.fs.usda.gov/Tonto. To report a wildland fire, the fire emergency number is 866-746-6516, or dial 9-1-1.

For general information on fire activity and restrictions in Arizona call toll free 877-864-6985, or visit the. **Southwest Coordination Center website:** <http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/> or <http://www.publiclands.org/firenews/AZ.php>

Useful Websites:

National Incident Information System www.inciweb.org
Southwest Coordination Center: <http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/>
National Interagency Fire Center: www.nifc.gov
National Fire Plan: www.forestsandangelands.gov
FireWise: www.firewise.org

ARIZONA Websites:

www.azfireinfo.com (fire prevention and restrictions)
www.publiclands.org/firenews/AZ.php (fire restrictions and other public lands information)
www.azsf.az.gov (wildfire information and Firewise)
www.azein.gov (Arizona Emergency Information Network for ALL hazard emergency and disaster information)

Fire Restriction Information: Toll free 1 (877) 864-6985

To report a wildfire, call 1-866-746-6516 or dial 911.